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AMENDMENT TO THE CLAIMS:

1. (Previously Presented) A signal processing unit comprising:  
at least two inputs; and  
at least two early pattern generators for defining a predefined early pattern generation, each of said at least two early pattern generators being connected to at least one of said at least two inputs, each of said at least two early pattern generators establishing an output having N directional components, each of said N directional components of said outputs being added to form at least one signal having N directional components.

2. (Previously Presented) The signal processing unit according to claim 1, further comprising a direction rendering unit with an input for at least one of said at least signal having N directional components, said direction rendering unit establishing P channel output signals on an output of the direction rendering unit corresponding to input signals having N directional components.

3. (Previously Presented) The signal processing unit according to claim 2, wherein said P channel output signals are established in such a way that said P channel output signals correspond to a P-channel trans- or bin-aural representation of said at least one signal having N directional components.

4. (Previously Presented) The signal processing unit according to claim 2, wherein said P channel output signals are established in such a way that said P channel output signals correspond to an experience-based P-channel representation of said at least one signal having N directional components.

5. (Previously Presented) The signal processing unit according to claim 2, further comprising:

a circuit having S inputs and P outputs, S being at least two and said S inputs being connected to said at least two inputs, said P outputs comprising a P-channel late reverberation signal; and

a summing unit for adding said late reverberation signal to said established P-channel output signals of said direction rendering unit.

6. (Withdrawn) A direction rendering unit comprising an input for N directional signals, said direction rendering unit establishing a P channel output signal on an output of the direction rendering unit corresponding to input signals having N directional components.

7. (Withdrawn) The direction rendering unit according to claim 6, wherein said P channel output signals are established in such a way that said P channel output signals correspond to a P-channel trans-aural representation of said input signals having N directional components.

8. (Withdrawn) The direction rendering unit according to claim 6, wherein said P channel output signals are established in such a way that said P channel output signals correspond to an experience-based P-channel representation of said input signals having N directional components.

9. (Withdrawn) An early pattern generation mixer comprising:  
M inputs each of which receives early pattern signals comprising N directional components; and  
at least one output for transmitting an N-directional early pattern signal, said N-directional early pattern signal being established by adding said M inputs.

10. (Previously Presented) A signal processing unit comprising:  
at least two inputs; and  
at least two space processors for defining at least a generation of an early pattern, each of said at least two space processors being connected to at least one of said at least two inputs, each of said at least two space processors establishing an output having N directional components, each of said N directional components of said outputs being added to form at least one signal having N directional components.

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14. (Previously Presented) A signal processing unit comprising:  
at least two inputs; and  
at least two reverberation units for defining a predefined reverberation generation, each  
of said at least two reverberation units being connected to at least one of said at least two inputs,  
each of said at least two reverberation units establishing an output having N directional  
components, each of said N directional components of said outputs being added to form at least  
one signal having N directional components.